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UNITED STATES DIST	TRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF	F WASHINGTON
AT SEATT	LE
HUNTERS CAPITAL, LLC, et al., Plaintiff, vs. CITY OF SEATTLE, Defendant.)))) No. 20-cv-00983)))
VIDEOTAPED VIDEOCONFERENCE 30 DEPOSITION UPON ORAL CITY OF SEA	EXAMINATION OF
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Seattle, Wash (All participants appeared v	_
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              As far as I know, that's the full scope.
 1
          Q.
              Okay.
                     All right. Great. I mean, I will ask
 2
     you about other things, but this is what you've been
 3
    designated for specifically as the representative of the
 4
    City.
 5
              So first I'd like to ask you about what
 6
    materials the fire department provided to protesters
 7
     during the -- during the CHOP time period that we'll
8
    refer to as June 8th through July 10th, 2020.
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              What materials do you recall that the fire
10
     department provided to protesters or the medics in the
11
    CHOP zone area during that time period?
12
         A. Sure. And just for a point of clarification.
13
             Sure.
          Q.
14
             I don't know for volunteer EMS personnel, I
15
    don't know if they were medics, paramedics or EMTs --
16
          Q.
              Okay.
17
             -- or some other sort of medical professionals.
18
    They were just identified as volunteer EMS.
19
          Q.
              Okay.
20
              So we provided fire extinguishers, stokes
21
    baskets with wheels on it, and also canvas letter
22
    carriers, for lack of a better term.
23
          Q. So -- so fire extinguishers, what -- can you
24
     describe to me the fire extinguishers.
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1	A. Sure. When you say well, I'm not sure
2	when you say describe to you the fire extinguishers,
3	what exactly do you mean?
4	Q. Well, how many fire extinguishers? Were they
5	just standard, like, kitchen variety fire extinguishers?
6	What kind of fire extinguishers were they, and how many?
7	A. I don't know the exact number. There's
8	probably several, maybe around three or four. They were
9	at least, you know, 2A, 10BC type extinguishers that we
10	carry, you know, but the exact model number, I can't
11	speak to that.
12	Q. Okay. And who did you give those to
13	specifically, the fire department?
14	A. The volunteer EMS personnel.
15	Q. And so the volunteer EMS personnel, as I
16	understand it, those were people who were had a
17	I'll call it an improvised medic station on was it
18	Pine? Is that is that correct? Is that who you were
19	referring to?
20	A. Yeah, I think it was at 10th and Pine, in the
21	parking lot of the Mexican restaurant. I think that's
22	where it was.
23	Q. Rancho Bravo Tacos?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. Okay. Just across the street from Cal Anderson

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1	Park?
2	A. Correct.
3	Q. Okay. And why did the fire department provide
4	the fire extinguishers?
5	A. We were getting reports of small fires in the
6	park. It could have been a garbage fire or you know.
7	So we were getting those reports, and so when we talked
8	to them about it, they wanted to assist with problem
9	solving, and we knew it would be a bit of a challenge to
10	navigate through all the people to get to a small trash
11	fire.
12	Q. Okay. So it was so that they could put out
13	fires that had been started within the CHOP area that
14	the fire department was not going to be able to put out;
15	is that correct?
16	MR. FARMER: Objection. Objection.
17	Misquotes testimony.
18	BY MR. WEAVER:
19	Q. You can answer unless Mr. Farmer tells you you
20	can't. So
21	A. Oh, okay. There were you know, we get
22	reports of fires every day, you know, sometimes they're
23	in encampment, sometimes they're in a trash can. It was
24	these types of fires. It wasn't, you know, building
25	fires or vehicle fires or anything like that.

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1	Q. Is it common practice for the Seattle Fire
2	Department to provide fire extinguishers to groups of
3	protesters to put out fires?
4	A. It's not a common practice, but it is a common
5	practice for events and and different things like
6	that, for us to help with supplies if they need them.
7	It's a common practice for the fire department to
8	provide fire and life safety for the entire city,
9	whether it's mount your fire extinguisher in your
10	apartment building or your business, or things things
11	like that, so that is a common practice for us.
12	Q. Okay. So these fire extinguishers were owned
13	by the City of Seattle; is that correct?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. Okay. And can you think of another time that a
16	City of Seattle-owned fire extinguisher was given to a
17	group of protesters to put out fires in a park?
18	A. I can't.
19	Q. So you mentioned a and I'm just trying to
20	remember a basket did you say you also provided
21	a baskets?
22	A. Stokes. It's a Stokes basket.
23	Q. A Stokes basket. Okay. What is a Stokes
24	basket?
25	A. A Stokes basket is a tool that we use to

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1	package a patient if we need to transition them to a
2	location where they can be received by our EMS
3	personnel.
4	Q. And
5	A. This particular basket had wheels on the side
6	so you can roll it.
7	Q. Okay. So is that what's the difference
8	between a Stokes basket and a stretcher?
9	A. A stretcher is goes in the back of our aid
10	cars and medic units. It has mounting mechanisms. It's
11	able to go up and down. It can, you know, have a lot
12	more weight on it. So it's a tool that's used in all of
13	our aid cars and medic units, and it locks in for
14	transport.
15	Q. Okay. So the Stokes basket, again, it was
16	owned by the City of Seattle; is that correct?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. And trying to I'm trying to picture the
19	Stokes basket. So is it is it big enough to
20	lay somebody down on and then wheel them out of an
21	area? Is that what we're talking about?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Okay. Is it the same or different from a
24	MegaMover?
25	A. Different.

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             What's a MegaMover?
1
             If you can imagine the -- you go to Home Depot
2
     and you see like a 4-by-4 canvas tarp, and it has -- but
3
    the MegaMover has -- MegaMover has a handle on each end.
4
    So four firefighters, one can -- they can grab each
5
6
    handle to move a person in a rapid manner, but you're
    carrying them physically.
7
         Q. Okay. So the main difference is it doesn't
8
    have wheels? Is that the main difference --
9
         A.
             No.
10
             -- between a MegaMover and a Stokes basket?
11
         A.
             No.
12
             Okay.
         Q.
13
             No. A Stokes basket -- let's see. Let me see
14
    if I can help here. There was a rescue this past
15
    weekend, and they showed it on the news, and they
16
    hoisted the lady who was injured up in a basket to the
17
    helicopter and they rescued her off of a mountain trail
18
    where she were -- was injured.
19
         Q.
             Okay.
20
             So it's a -- it's a wire frame, it's
21
    structurally sound, it's used in rescues like that. So
22
    it's -- it's more stable, and it's -- and it's a framed
23
    basket.
24
             The MegaMover is more of a canvas -- you fold
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1	it up when you're done, throw it in the compartment, you
2	know, so am I helping there?
3	Q. That helps a lot. That helps a lot.
4	Okay. Did you also provide did the fire
5	department also provide MegaMovers to the protesters?
6	A. Yes.
7	Q. Okay. So how many Stokes baskets did the
8	volunteer EMS people get from the fire department?
9	A. I think it was at least two. I'm not exactly
10	sure on the number.
11	Q. And about how many MegaMovers?
12	A. It was probably at least two. I'm not exactly
13	sure on the numbers.
14	Q. And why did the fire department give City-owned
15	Stokes baskets and MegaMovers to the volunteer EMS
16	<pre>people?</pre>
17	A. Well, our goal was to help facilitate patient
18	care, and these would be tools that these volunteer EMS
19	personnel could use to transport someone who was injured
20	to a location where we could receive the patient.
21	Q. Okay. So is it fair to say that it was so that
22	the the volunteer EMS people could move them to an
23	area where the Seattle Fire Department felt comfortable
24	receiving that patient?
25	A. Where it was safe for the Seattle Fire

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    Department to receive the patient. It wasn't a matter
1
    of comfort. I think it was a matter of safety.
2
         Q. Okay. So the fire department didn't feel safe
3
    bringing its own Stokes baskets and MegaMovers into the
4
    area where the volunteer EMS was during --
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                MR. FARMER: Objection. Vague.
                (Simultaneous cross-talk.)
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                MR. WEAVER: -- in 2020; is that correct?
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                MR. FARMER: Objection. Vague.
9
             You can answer, Chief.
10
                THE WITNESS: Oh, okay.
11
             Well, it depends. This was an area that
12
    evolved over the time period you just mentioned. So
13
    there were -- there were areas where the fire department
14
    needed to focus on safety of our personnel, and so
15
    that's why we gave them the tools to help facilitate the
16
    patient care.
17
    BY MR. WEAVER:
18
         Q. Okay. Do you know when the fire department --
19
    what date the fire department gave the volunteer EMS
20
    people the Stokes baskets?
21
             I don't remember the exact date.
22
             Okay. Was it early June, mid-June? Do you
23
    remember?
24
             It was mid to late June.
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1	Q. Okay.
2	A. The items that have been mentioned, the fire
3	extinguishers, the MegaMovers, and the Stokes basket,
4	they weren't transitioned all on the same date. This
5	was an evolving situation, I think, as you know. So as
6	reports of fire calls came in, small trash fires and
7	things like that, then we met with them and we said,
8	hey, what can we do to reduce the number of fires. So
9	the fire extinguishers.
10	And then the second piece of equipment was the
11	MegaMovers.
12	And then the third these are all different
13	times, but along that 22-day period, that's when these
14	transitions took place.
15	Q. Okay. So can you think of another instance in
16	which the City has provided Stokes baskets or MegaMovers
17	to a group of private individuals to move patients out
18	of an area?
19	A. I I can't. The context becomes important.
20	We hadn't had another situation where we couldn't have
21	complete access to the scene. So that kind of played a
22	part in the decision making. So we hadn't been faced
23	with that scenario before.
24	Q. Okay. Have you been faced with one since then?
25	A. You mean like the CHOP last summer? No.

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1	Q. Okay. Well, a situation where you you
2	provided MegaMovers or Stokes baskets to the to a
3	group of private individuals to move them out of the
4	area.
5	A. We we hadn't been faced with one since then,
6	but on the fire extinguisher front, we have had
7	conversations over the last several years about
8	deploying fire extinguishers into the encampments so
9	the the large encampments, so individuals, if there
10	is a fire there, they can use them. Because we go on a
11	lot of those fires. So we have had similar type
12	discussions with a different layout, but not for the
13	MegaMovers or the Stokes baskets, but we have had
14	conversations for the fire extinguishers.
15	Q. Okay. So you say you've had conversations.
16	Have you actually provided them, the Seattle Fire
17	Department, in those situations?
18	A. We have not.
19	Q. Okay.
20	A. We have not.
21	Q. Do you recall whether the City refilled the
22	fire extinguishers for the for the people who were
23	occupying the area in and around Cal Anderson Park? A. I don't.
24	Q. Okay. I think you mentioned in the first
25	Q. Okay. I chilik you mentioned in the litst

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1	different types of BLS, ALS, and fire calls. SPD
2	protest response zone, SPD to secure the area, SPD to
3	escort SFD. So it's a it's a quick overview of how
4	we would respond in and around this area.
5	Q. Okay. So is this what we were talking about
6	before, this is the actual depiction on a map of the
7	yellow or warm zone, and the red or hot zone?
8	A. Yes.
9	Q. And this was as of June 8th; is that correct?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Okay. So what was the process by by which
12	it was determined that this should be the warm and hot
13	zone for this particular event?
14	A. Sure. There were physical barriers preventing
15	access and egress in and around the red zone.
16	Q. Okay. And how about the how about the size
17	and boundary of the yellow zone?
18	A. I think what our team put together was an area
19	that made sense, where responding to any call in the
20	yellow zone we need to have situational awareness
21	because of the activities in the red zone.
22	Q. Okay. So I mean, that area depicted on this
23	map is bounded by Denny, Union, Broadway, and 13th; is
24	that correct?
25	A. Yes.

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1	Q. And on the left part of this slide, it
2	designates that area as the protest response zone; is
3	that correct?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Okay. And so on June 8th, within that area, is
6	this slide indicating that anywhere in that area, that
7	the SPD had that the SFD had to wait for the Seattle
8	Police Department to secure the area before they would
9	enter?
10	A. Anywhere in the red zone.
11	Q. Okay. That didn't include the yellow area; is
12	that correct?
13	A. It did not.
14	Q. Okay. I understand this slide as defining the
15	protest response zone as the yellow area.
16	Do you feel do you feel otherwise?
17	A. I do. The yellow identifies the warm zone.
18	The protest response zone is the red, and it's written
19	in there, "protest hot zone."
20	Q. Okay. I'd like you to look at the left where
21	it says "Protest response zone," colon, and then it has,
22	Denny, Union, Broadway, and 13th.
23	Do you see that?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. Okay. I understand that as indicating that the

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1	protest response zone was that area, Denny, Union,
2	Broadway, and 13th.
3	Do you have a different understanding?
4	A. I do. That's our warm zone, and this gave our
5	folks situational awareness for this protest hot zone.
6	And so here's some of the challenges, for example, and
7	reason why we have to lay this out a little wider. Just
8	navigating around that area in our vehicles are very
9	challenging just when you look at the red zone that's
10	outlined there. So all of our folks need to have
11	situational awareness for a larger area.
12	Q. Okay. And that larger area was Denny, Union,
13	Broadway, and 13th; is that right?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. And why why do they need to have additional
16	situation why do they need to have additional
17	situational awareness within that area?
18	A. Because one never knows what spills outside of
19	the hot zone. So our folks need to really be paying
20	attention. This was on June 8th, so this is the first
21	day that the landscape kind of changed for us. So our
22	folks needed to have situational awareness because you
23	never know what you're going to, you know, come upon in
24	any of these streets around around there.
25	Q. It potentially could be unsafe within that

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1	most of June 2020, because the protests from May 30th up
2	to June 8th, they happened, and then they kind of stood
3	down, you know, the crowds dissipated. And then we
4	stand our resources down. So that's how it normally
5	works. But June 8th, we maintained, I believe, a higher
6	level of staffing for the balance of the month. And I
7	can follow up there to be sure.
8	Q. Okay. Do you know how many battalion chiefs
9	were on duty during that staffed-up period in June of
10	2020, at any given time?
11	A. For field operations I believe we staffed up
12	one additional battalion chief.
13	Q. Okay.
14	A. So there's five like on duty today, for
15	example, there's five on duty today.
16	Q. Sure.
17	A. During this period I believe we staffed up one
18	additional one.
19	Q. Okay. What is the difference between basic
20	life support and advanced life support?
21	A. Sure. So basic life support is for minor
22	medical emergencies that may require a transport to an
23	emergency room. You broke your leg, maybe your stomach
24	hurts, or maybe your back went out. Maybe you have a
25	laceration, but it's it hasn't hit any arteries or

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1	there.
2	Q. So you're talking about the difference between
3	typical protocol and what the protocol was for this
4	yellow zone on Slide 10 of Exhibit 5 or Slide 9 of
5	Exhibit 5, sorry.
6	A. Correct.
7	Q. Okay. And it was all basic life support within
8	that area on July 8th that required an aid car, engine,
9	and a battalion chief; is that correct?
10	A. That is correct.
11	Q. Okay. And then for advanced life support
12	within the yellow area on June 8th, required an aid car,
13	a medic, an engine, and a battalion chief; is that
14	correct?
15	A. That's correct.
16	Q. Okay. And this has the addition of a medic for
17	advanced life support. What what is a medic, and do
18	they have their own vehicle?
19	A. Yes. Our paramedics, that's the higher level
20	of EMS training that I spoke to earlier, and they do
21	have their own vehicle. It's an ambulance with two
22	paramedics inside.
23	Q. And how was the how was the response
24	different for the area within the yellow zone, as
25	opposed to other areas of Seattle on that same day for

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    an advanced life support situation?
1
         A. Sure. So outside of this area that we're
2
    talking about, if a person was having a cardiac arrest,
3
    that would be a defined set of units to go and help that
4
    person because that's an ALS call. If a person is
5
6
    having a stroke -- you wouldn't have a battalion chief
    tied to a medic -- an ALS call. That is one of the --
7
    the biggest differences in all of these protocols right
8
    here, is the battalion chief, and having a manager,
9
    having a chief on scene who's paying attention to
10
    situational awareness and can immediately call for
11
    additional resources if they were needed.
12
          Q. And it's the case that even within this yellow
13
     zone there were certain areas where there might be, for
14
     example, somebody having a heart attack, where the --
15
     the fire department would not even send the enhanced
16
     team to respond; is that correct?
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                 MR. FARMER: Objection. Vaque and assumes
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     facts not in evidence.
19
         A. So --
20
     BY MR. WEAVER:
21
             Let me ask -- let me ask another -- I can tell
22
     I confused you.
23
              So within this area, within the yellow area,
24
     were there some areas where the fire department on
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    June 8th, for example, was -- would not respond to an
1
    advanced life support situation even with the -- the --
2
    the addition of a battalion chief, if they were
3
    responding to an advanced life support situation?
4
                 MR. FARMER: Objection. Incomplete
5
    hypothetical.
6
             You may answer.
7
                 THE WITNESS: Sure.
8
             So in the area between Olive and Pike and 13th
9
    and 11th, for example, that would be a response inside
10
    of that red zone that we would rendezvous or meet up
11
    with SPD, and we would need an escort. But any of those
12
    other areas in the yellow area, the warm zone, our units
13
    could respond to on June 8th.
14
    BY MR. WEAVER:
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                   So I think that's all the questions I've
              Okay.
16
    got on this slide. We've been going about an hour.
17
                                                           Ι'm
    happy to keep going, but I want to ask whether you want
18
19
    a break, or whether you want to keep pushing through.
    It's up to you.
20
              It's up to the team. Do we need a break?
21
                 MR. FARMER:
                             Keep going.
22
                 THE WITNESS: Okay. Let's keep -- let's
23
    keep going.
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    people within the red or warm area could -- could see
 1
     the fire department; is that correct?
 2
             Not just see. Because Fire Station 25 was on
 3
     the edge --
 4
              Sure.
          Q.
 5
              -- throughout the entire situation. But the
 6
     aggressiveness became more when there was a -- an
 7
     incident unfolding.
 8
         Q. Okay. And you wanted to -- the fire department
9
    wanted to reduce the possibility that there was going to
10
    be conflict between the fire department and the people
11
    inside the warm and red -- warm and hot areas; is that
12
    correct?
13
         A. We wanted to get our people to a safe area
14
    where they can stage until we got information from PD
15
    that the scene was secure for us to go in. So we made
16
     adjustments as -- as the days went on here.
17
             Okay.
         Q.
18
             It was all about safety.
19
             I'm sorry; what?
20
         A. It was all about safety.
21
                 MR. WEAVER: Okay. Are we on Exhibit 8?
22
                 THE COURT REPORTER: Yes.
23
                 MR. WEAVER: Okay. So I've dropped this one
24
     into the chat.
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1	(Exhibit No. 8 marked.)
2	BY MR. WEAVER:
3	Q. Let me know when you have it.
4	A. Uh-huh. It's up.
5	Q. Okay. So what do you understand this page to
6	be?
7	A. It looks like the details from one of our
8	incident reports, Incident 58386 in 2020, on June 14th.
9	Q. Okay. And where do you understand that this
10	incident report would have been printed from? Is there
11	a particular database that it might have come from?
12	A. This probably came from our CAD system,
13	computer-automated dispatch center system.
14	Q. Okay. So I want you to look at the initial and
15	final location, up near the top, on the left.
16	A. 1221 East Olive Street, Apartment 203. And
17	final location, Senia 12
18	Q. The initial is the same as the final.
19	A. Oh, okay.
20	Q. So the do you recall whether 1221 Olive
21	Street was in the yellow area or the red area, or was
22	outside both?
23	A. You know, it's probably right on the fringes
24	because 12th and Olive, there on that let's see. On
25	the eastern side, southeast corner, there's a pretty

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1	<pre>large residential I don't know if it's apartments or</pre>
2	condos. And then across the street there are also
3	units. But it's right on the fringes, is what I think.
4	I'm not 100 percent sure unless I looked at a map.
5	Q. So I'd like you to go down to the dispatcher
6	comments. And would these be comments that were
7	transcribed by the 911 dispatcher, to your knowledge?
8	Is that typically where these come from?
9	A. Yes, that's where this would come from.
10	Q. Am I reading this correctly, that there was an
11	adult male with stroke symptoms that was calling to
12	report that their arm was numb?
13	A. That's yes. Uh-huh.
14	Q. Okay. And No. 4 seems to indicate that the
15	dispatcher believed it was in the red zone. Is that
16	your understanding as well?
17	A. That's what it says right there.
18	Q. And well, first of all, let me how far is
19	1221 Olive from the from Fire Station 25?
20	A. It's so Fire Station 25's on 13th and Pine.
21	So if you went one block north and one block west,
22	you're at 12th and Olive.
23	Q. Okay. And it seems to indicate here that the
24	patient was told or indicated that they would try to
25	walk to Station 25; is that correct? Is that what you

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1	read this to say?
2	A. Let's see. "In red zone. Patient to try to
3	walk to Station 25 or get a ride in about a half hour."
4	That's what it says.
5	Q. So if the dispatcher was correct and this was
6	in the red zone, would the Seattle Fire Department on
7	June 14, 2020, have responded to this call on on 12th
8	and Olive?
9	A. I I guess it would depend on situational
10	awareness, but it looks like the dispatcher gave the
11	caller instructions, and by reading this, it seems to be
12	the patient was alert and oriented times four. They
13	were able to communicate that they had arm numbness, so
14	this is a snapshot of the call, but it looks like there
15	was a conversation taking place.
16	Q. Okay. So if the caller was in the red zone,
17	and if the caller was having had had a recent stroke
18	and had a right had a right arm that was numb, and
19	the dispatcher told the person to walk outside the red
20	zone to Station 25, would that have been consistent with
21	the policies that were in place on June 14, 2020?
22	MR. FARMER: Objection. Vague, and assumes
23	facts not in evidence.
24	A. Yeah, and I'm just taking an assumption that
25	the dispatcher was trying to provide as much information

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1	to the caller as possible to get them help. And here's
2	an example: Many times we'll get a 911 call from a
3	person, whether it's an encampment or in an apartment
4	building, and based on what the caller says, our
5	dispatcher may say, "Well, can you go out to the street
6	and meet our folks when when so when they arrive
7	on scene they will see you," or things like that. So
8	that's not uncommon for our dispatchers to try to give
9	instructions to the person based on the conversation
10	they're having.
11	BY MR. WEAVER:
12	Q. On June 14, 2020, was it the policy of the fire
13	department to have people who were inside the red zone
14	walk outside the red zone before they could get
15	treatment from the fire department?
16	A. Well, it looks like that this was the
17	instructions that we were given, that we gave a caller.
18	I wouldn't say it was our policy. Our dispatcher was
19	trying to facilitate care to the patient.
20	Q. Okay. So is it safe to say that it was
21	there were a lot of changes going on in areas that were
22	being responded to and not over the period of June 8th
23	through June 30, 2020?
24	MR. FARMER: Object to the form of the
25	question.

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1	writing this email?
2	A. Yes, I think I do. It's from me. Yes.
3	Q. Okay. So you indicate that you looked up the
4	address of Car Tender, and that it was outside the red
5	zone.
6	Is that what this says?
7	A. That's pretty much what it says.
8	Q. And so outside the red zone, but inside the
9	yellow zone, it was the policy that the that the fire
10	department could go in without waiting for the police;
11	is that correct, at this time?
12	A. That is correct.
13	Q. Okay. Were you surprised to find out that even
14	though it was outside the red zone, that the Seattle
15	Fire Department had not responded?
16	A. Initially, I was.
17	Q. Okay. When did that change?
18	A. When I talked to the business owner and they
19	explained to me the large crowd of people that was there
20	while they were there and how aggressive they were, so
21	that would change the dynamic of the layout for our
22	folks. That's not something that we do, is go into
23	hostile crowds. That that's it's not a safe place
24	for our folks. So when the business owner explained
25	that to me and how hostile the crowd was, then the

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the situational awareness comes into play. That becomes very important. Because we can't put our folks in the middle of a hostile crowd.

- Q. Okay. Did you, as part of your investigation and talking to Car Tender, figure out whether the police department responded?
- A. Well, for clarity, I didn't do an investigation. I had a conversation to understood what happened. But I don't think they told me that PD responded. I don't think they told me that. And I don't know if I asked that, but I don't think they told me that. I mean, clearly from my email, I was concerned about why we didn't respond because I said it's an area outside of the red, where we should have. So I went down there, myself, and talked to the business owner, and when they explained to me the situational awareness, then I had more understanding. I can't speak to whether the PD responded or not.
- Q. Okay. So I just want to be clear. Did you do anything to look into this, other than talk to the owner of Car Tender?
- A. I know I communicated with my team in a conversation because I had clarity now on the why. But anything other than that, no, I don't think I did.
 - Q. Okay. What did you --

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     June 8th to June 30, 2020, that it was the policy of the
 1
     Seattle Police -- Fire Department to not enter the area
 2
     unless the Seattle Police Department accompanied them?
 3
                 MR. FARMER: Objection. Asked and answered.
 4
              Chief, you may answer again.
 5
              Oh, yes, that was our operational plan.
 6
                 (Exhibit No. 11 marked.)
 7
     BY MR. WEAVER:
 8
          Q. And -- all right. I'll leave it there for now.
9
    So if you could go to what I've introduced as
10
    Exhibit 11. It's in the chat already.
11
             11.
          A .
12
              So do you have it up?
13
              Yes.
14
              Okay. So there was an email that was written,
15
    that was then forwarded to you.
16
              Do you recall the incident discussed in this --
17
    in this email from Dale Watanabe?
18
              Right. I'll take a look.
19
              Okay.
20
              Yes, I've -- I've read that.
21
                    Do you recall that incident?
22
              I don't recall the incident, but after reading
23
    it, it does hit the refresh button a bit.
24
                     So what was your understanding of what
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1	an MI is? There's a reference to an MI.
2	A. Myocardial infarction.
3	Q. Okay. So a heart attack?
4	A. Yes.
5	Q. Was what was is what's described in this
6	email from Dale Watanabe, and the directions that were
7	given to the person who reported they were having a
8	myocardial infarction, consistent with the policy that
9	was in place on June 20, 2020?
10	MR. FARMER: Object to the form of the
11	question.
12	A. Well, this is a real-time situation that the
13	dispatcher because Dale Watanabe is one of our
14	dispatchers gave a caller in the 911 system
15	information to get to fire station one block east of
16	your location, Fire Station 25.
17	So I don't know what else was said on that
18	call. I don't know what other ailments the individual
19	may have had. But the dispatcher apparently felt
20	comfortable enough to ask the person to walk to the fire
21	station one block away. But that's all I'm seeing here.
22	That's not the situation we wanted.
23	BY MR. WEAVER:
24	Q. Okay. So Dale Watanabe is a dispatcher, you
25	said. Is he okay.

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             So do you read his email as saying that --
1
    indicating that he was comfortable telling the person to
2
    walk to the fire station?
3
                MR. FARMER: Objection. Sorry. Objection.
4
    Calls for speculation.
5
6
         A. No, I don't read that statement in his email,
7
    no.
    BY MR. WEAVER:
8
         Q. Okay. What is your understanding of what the
9
    policy would be today if somebody at 6 -- 1660 12th
10
    Avenue called the fire department, indicated that they
11
    were having symptoms of a cardiac arrest -- is it your
12
    understanding in that situation that it would have been
13
    consistent with the current policy, today, to tell them
14
    to walk to Fire Station 25?
15
         A.
             No.
16
             And why is that?
17
             Today? We wouldn't have any obstructions
18
19
    blocking our units from actually making it to this
    address location, 1660 12th Avenue. What is it, just
20
    north of the east precinct. So this is probably the
21
    building that is right on 12th, on the east side of the
22
    street there. But we wouldn't have any obstructions
23
    blocking our units from getting there.
24
         Q. Okay. So your understanding is that in this
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Page 81 case the same -- if you got the same call today, it 1 would be the policy of the fire department to go to this 2 person's apartment; is that correct? 3 A. Correct. 4 So part of the 30(b)(6) notice talks about --5 6 that you've been designated to talk about is how -- how response times to events were -- by the Seattle Fire 7 Department in the area were affected or changed during 8 the period of June 8th through June 30, 2020. And do 9 you -- is there any study or analysis that has been done 10 to indicate how those response times changed for 11 addresses within the warm or yellow area during that 12 period? 13 There hasn't been a study done. I know our 14 team has looked at the response times, and it's been 15 difficult to discern for this reason: Our response time 16 stamps -- the call comes through the dispatch center; 17 when the unit is dispatched; when the unit actually hits 18 19 a button inside of the fire engine, ladder truck, or aid or medic unit -- when they go en route, they're actually 20 driving to the call; and then when they're on scene, so 21 they get on scene. They're not necessarily at the 22 patient. 23 So even today, if we're at 999 Third Avenue, 24 for example, if we had a full fire response that came 25

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     again.
 1
              So what did you mean by that it was a tipping
 2
    point when they left the precinct?
 3
             Sure. So when they left the precinct, the
 4
    protesters initially marched by the precinct, and many
 5
 6
     of us thought, okay, well, that -- they'll just have a
     new route. But at some point they made a U-turn and
 7
     came back into the space, and the tipping point was
 8
     repurposing the water barriers and the gate barriers,
9
     and staying in the space. So that changed the landscape
10
     immediately.
11
          Q. Okay. What did they repurpose the barriers
12
     for?
13
              To not -- to not allow traffic north, south,
14
     east, or west on the streets around the east precinct.
15
                 MR. WEAVER: Can we go off the record for a
16
    minute?
17
                 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the record.
18
19
     The time is approximately 1:54 p.m.
                 (Pause in proceedings.)
20
                 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
21
              The time is approximately 1:55 p.m.
22
    BY MR. WEAVER:
23
             When you saw that the protesters had repurposed
24
     the barriers, did you have any concerns as a -- as the
25
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1	chief of the fire department about what that might mean
2	for access to the area?
3	A. I did.
4	Q. And what were those concerns?
5	A. Access and egress in the area.
6	Q. Okay. Were you con were you concerned that
7	you weren't going to be able to get in your fire
8	trucks or any response equipment into the area, past
9	those barriers?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. Did you have any concern at that point about
12	what it might mean for businesses or residents who lived
13	or operated in that area?
14	A. Yes.
15	Q. What were those concerns?
16	A. Well, from the fire department perspective was
17	how were we how were we going to navigate the
18	landscape to serve those in that part of the community.
19	Q. At some point did you become part of a team of
20	people who were going to the area around the east
21	precinct and Cal Anderson on a daily basis?
22	A. Yes.
23	Q. Was one of the people you traveled there with
24	regularly Mami Hara?
25	A. Yes.

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1	Q. Was another person you regularly traveled with
2	there Sam Zimbabwe?
3	A. Well, let me provide a little clarification.
4	Q. Okay. Go ahead.
5	A. We didn't travel there together.
6	Q. Okay.
7	A. We organically met there. So we were there
8	pretty much daily together, but we didn't travel there
9	together.
10	Q. All right. Poor questioning on my part. Thank
11	you.
12	What time of day were you typically in the
13	area?
14	A. A lot. I during that period of time, I
15	would go there. You know, on the first day that this
16	was formed overnight, June 9th, I went there. I didn't
17	go to the office.
18	Q. You were there for the full day?
19	A. Pretty much.
20	Q. Okay. At any point were you personally there
21	<pre>overnight?</pre>
22	A. No.
23	Q. Okay.
24	A. You mean did I sleep there?
25	Q. Were you in the area during the night hours?

Page 139 A. Oh, I was in the area during the night hours. 1 Not -- not a lot, but yeah. 2 Q. Okay. So the first day you went there, 3 June 9th, had you -- had you been appointed as a liaison 4 to the area by the mayor, or how did that come about? 5 No, I wasn't appointed as a liaison to the 6 It came about because I saw a need, that we had 7 to figure out a way to navigate this landscape in case 8 there was an emergency and we needed to get our 9 resources in there. 10 So what did you do on that first day to try to 11 navigate the area to figure out that situation? 12 A. Well, the first thing I did was I walked the 13 area. I needed to survey it, myself, you know, with 14 boots on the ground. So I walked the entire area, and 15 talking to people, trying to understand who -- who 16 was -- who was moving the crowd, you know, who was the 17 person in charge. And that first morning is when Mami 18 19 Hara showed up down there, and Sam Zimbabwe also. But I think we all had concerns that focused on the services 20 that we provide to the community. 21 So did you -- so you talked to the protesters 22 in the area. I'm using "protesters" to mean the people 23 generally in the area, who didn't -- who weren't 24 residents or businesses there. I'm just going to use 25

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1	A. Yes.
2	Q. Okay. Do you think you were there every day
3	from June 8th I'm sorry June 9th through July 1,
4	2020?
5	A. Probably so.
6	Q. Okay. And what communications did you have
7	back with the mayor's office about what you were seeing
8	and experiencing and hearing in that area during that
9	time period?
10	A. We had our our check-in calls or in-person
11	meetings. So that's where we relayed information. And
12	generally that information showed up in the daily
13	snapshot reports.
14	Q. Okay. So that communication would have been
15	with the mayor's executive staff and with the mayor,
16	herself?
17	A. Yes.
18	Q. Okay. And that would have that would have
19	included information that you were hearing from
20	protesters; right?
21	A. Yes.
22	Q. And information that you were hearing from
23	residents; right?
24	A. Yes.
25	Q. And information that you were hearing from

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    businesses; right?
1
         A. Yes.
2
             And property -- and also property owners;
3
    correct?
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         A. Yes.
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6
                     Was one of your goals on June 9th to try
    to keep protesters from fortifying the area with
7
    stronger barriers and more defined boundaries?
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                 MR. FARMER: Objection. Vague.
9
              You may answer, Chief.
10
              I think the goal was to try to create an access
11
    path for our resources.
12
                 MR. WEAVER: Okay. I'm going to mark an
13
    exhibit, 15.
14
                 (Exhibit No. 15 marked.)
15
    BY MR. WEAVER:
16
          Q. All right. It should be coming up shortly.
17
    Let me know when you have it open.
18
         Α.
             Yes, it's open.
19
              Okay. So are these minutes from a meeting that
20
    you had with the mayor's office, and the cabinet that we
21
    talked about earlier, on June 9?
22
         A. Yes.
23
              I'd like you to scroll down to the
24
    objections -- objectives for de-escalation. And under
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    of each call or if it was stated at some defined point
 1
     in time.
 2
    BY MR. WEAVER:
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              Okay. So I'd like you to go back to
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    Exhibit 14, Slide 21, the notes for Slide 21. It looks
 5
     like it's on Page 4.
 6
              Got it. Uh-huh.
          Α.
              And underneath Slide 21 it says, "Focus at
 8
     first was" protesting -- "protecting," sorry --
 9
     "protecting first amendment rights and protecting
10
    protesters from vehicles being driven into the crowds."
11
              Yes, I see that.
          Α.
12
             And do you see that? Is that accurate, that
13
    the focus at first was on protecting first amendment
14
    rights and protecting protesters?
15
         A. It was. And context, once again, becomes
16
     important.
17
              So as we were navigating the space, I was
18
19
     observing vehicles being driven into protests around the
     country. So that's one of the things that was actually
20
    happening, that people were driving their vehicles into
21
     the protest crowds.
22
              So having a fire and life safety mentality is,
23
    well, you have to try to protect the protesters also
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    because you don't want anyone driving a vehicle to harm
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there was concerns about someone driving through the middle of this and hitting a bunch of people. That was a part of their mindset also, which played into trying to fortify the edges.

- Q. Do you recall discussions with the protesters that they should clear the streets on -- on or about June 10th?
- A. I'm sure that was a part of the discussions every day we were in there.
- Q. Okay. Pivoting into a street closure, do you recall whether that was -- the plan was to continue to have the streets closed, but maybe convince them they didn't need to guard the barriers. Was that the plan?
- A. I think Sam may be best to answer that question. I don't deal in street closures every day --
 - Q. Sure.
- A. -- so trying to understand the mentality of a driver when they see a street closure is out of my lane, so to speak.
- Q. I'm just asking because I know you were in these meetings, and I want to get -- you know, see whether you recall. We definitely have Sam coming up next week, so...
- Do you recall whether there was any attempt by
- the fire department, the mayor's office, or anybody else

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1	to get the protesters to apply for a permit for a street
2	closure?
3	A. I don't think so.
4	Q. Okay. I'd like you to scroll down to Item 3,
5	which is, "Encourage conversations between protest
6	groups and/or the City."
7	It seems that the lead designated on most of
8	these topics is somebody, Casey. Do you understand that
9	to refer to Casey Sixkiller?
10	A. Yes.
11	Q. 3.2 says, "Identify clear parameters for City's
12	position to negotiate."
13	Do you see that?
14	A. I do.
15	Q. Okay. And you were involved in the you were
16	directly involved in the negotiations between the City
17	and the protesters; is that right?
18	A. I was.
19	Q. Did you ever get clear parameters on what the
20	City's position would be in those negotiations?
21	A. We wanted to get the area reopened. I don't
22	know what Casey Sixkiller was given as parameters.
23	Q. Okay.
24	A. But our overall goal was to get the area
25	reopened.

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    know if you reviewed this one, but at the bottom of the
1
    second page it's actually an email that you sent, and
 2
     then you replied all to that email with more comments.
 3
    So I want to ask you first about the one June 11th at
4
    8:57 in the morning.
5
              Do you see it?
 6
          Α.
              Yes.
 7
              So you state here that you're -- you were
8
    concerned knowing there were individuals in the crowd
9
    with weapons, and that you see that this has
10
    transitioned from a peaceful protest to a different
11
    situation that is unstable, and this could compromise
12
    the safety of your personnel.
13
              At what point did you -- did you notice that
14
    the protest had transitioned?
15
             When people showed up with weapons and were not
16
    allowing access to the area.
17
             Okay. And that had happened -- that had -- did
18
19
    that happen on like the 9th or the 10th of June?
              I believe it happened on June 8th.
20
             Okay. And it continued -- that -- those
21
    particular aspects continued through the month of June;
22
    is that right?
23
             Correct.
         A .
24
             What do you mean by the situation was unstable?
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1	What did you mean by that?
2	A. When people are in the area with weapons, not
3	just one person, multiple people, and they're on the
4	access and egress points of a geographical area, and not
5	allowing people in or out, or vehicles in and out
6	because there was a lot of foot traffic actually walking
7	in and out all day long, but not allowing vehicles in or
8	out, to me that is an unstable situation.
9	Q. Okay. So going back to your up above, the
10	email you sent you replied all to your own email
11	about an hour later, on June 11th, at 9:14 in the
12	morning. And the second sentence talks about, "If the
13	City is to allow this group to continue to protest," and
14	I want to ask you about was it your perception that
15	the City was allowing the group to continue to protest
16	throughout June 2020?
17	A. It was my perspective.

- A. It was my perspective.
- Q. Okay. And you believed at that point that certain conditions needed to be met if that was going to happen; is that right?
 - A. I did.

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- And why did you believe that certain conditions needed to be met if the City was going to allow the protest to continue?
 - A. Because from fire's perspective, trying to

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     combination of both.
 1
              Do you recall having a list of -- of fire codes
 2
     that had been violated in the area?
 3
             It sounds familiar.
         Α.
 4
             Do you recall having somebody walk around the
5
    area and document the fire -- the fire code violations
 6
    that were happening in the area?
7
         A. It sounds familiar.
8
         Q. I'm going to fast forward and see if the sound
9
    is better at this point, later in the video. We're at
10
    the 34:23 mark.
11
                (Video played.)
12
    BY MR. WEAVER:
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         Q. All right. Could you hear that?
14
                MR. FARMER: Objection. Vague as to what
15
    "that" refers to.
16
                 MR. WEAVER: The section that we just
17
    played.
18
             I did make out bits and pieces. I didn't make
19
    it all out with clarity. But I did recognize that I was
20
    reading different sections of the fire code.
21
    BY MR. WEAVER:
22
         Q. Okay. What -- what is Fire Code 102.9?
23
             Oh, I -- I could not tell you --
24
         Q. Okay.
25
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1	A that offhand.
2	Q. Okay. Would you how about 503.4.2?
3	A. I couldn't tell you that offhand.
4	Q. Do you believe the the Seattle Fire
5	Department has the authority to identify blocked access
6	under the fire code and to remedy that problem?
7	A. I believe the Seattle Fire Department has the
8	authority to identify the problems, but we don't have
9	the enforcement arms to for all of the remedies that
10	could be needed.
11	The remedies in this situation is different
12	than our fire inspectors going into a building and doing
13	an inspection where there's noncompliance, and there
14	would be a fine. This requires a different level of
15	enforcement to remedy the situation, and we don't have
16	those means in the Seattle Fire Department.
17	Q. Is it your understanding that the fire code
18	requires the police department or the fire department
19	to open the roads for access for fire vehicles?
20	A. Yes.
21	Q. Do you recall telling this group of protesters
22	that after they refused to give up the barricades and
23	barriers that were around the east precinct, that if
24	they didn't want people to get run over they should get
25	out of the street?

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Page 187 into the park? 1 It is my -- it is and probably was, because Α. 2 that would have got the streets opened. 3 And it would have resolved some of the safety 4 issues for them as well; is that right? 5 Α. It would have. 6 So do you recall talking to these protesters at 7 this meeting about the block party, the Capitol Hill 8 block party? 9 Α. I don't recall that. 10 Do you recall talking to these protesters, or 11 any other group of protesters, that you met with during 12 this time in June of 2020, about how the City always 13 requires rules of access for any event that is partially 14 or completely occupying the streets? 15 I don't recall that, but if I used the Capitol 16 Hill block party as a reference point for that last 17 statement, that -- that would make sense because we do 18 19 have requirements. I'm sorry; you have requirements for what? 20 A . We have requirements for access and egress. 21 Okay. So typically -- would you agree that 22 typically as part of the permitting process for public 23 events that would occupy the streets, there's a 24 requirement that the streets be open at least partially 25

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1	for fire and police response?
2	A. There is a requirement, and it's it's agreed
3	upon during the permitting process, but a for example
4	would be if there's an event that's going to take place
5	on Pine, from Broadway to 13th, as an example, we may
6	not require a fire lane that goes north and south I'm
7	sorry, east or west, but we may require access points
8	through all the arterials, where we can still serve the
9	communities. But there's an agreement that's generally
10	made through the permitting process so we can gain
11	access.
12	Q. Okay. And there was no permitting process with
13	this particular group of people that were occupying the
	this particular group of people that were occupying the streets in June of 2020; is that right?
13 14	
13 14 15	streets in June of 2020; is that right?
13 14 15 16	streets in June of 2020; is that right? A. To my knowledge, there was no permitting
13 14 15 16	streets in June of 2020; is that right? A. To my knowledge, there was no permitting process.
13 14 15 16 17	streets in June of 2020; is that right? A. To my knowledge, there was no permitting process. Q. Okay. Was there ever any discussion in any of
13 14 15 16 17 18	streets in June of 2020; is that right? A. To my knowledge, there was no permitting process. Q. Okay. Was there ever any discussion in any of the meetings you had with the mayor about whether they
13	streets in June of 2020; is that right? A. To my knowledge, there was no permitting process. Q. Okay. Was there ever any discussion in any of the meetings you had with the mayor about whether they should go through the permitting process?
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1	fortified where the protesters had placed those
2	barriers?
3	MR. FARMER: Object to the form of the
4	question. Assumes facts not in evidence.
5	Chief Scoggins, you may answer.
6	A. Okay. I do agree that more obstacles appeared
7	to show up around the intersections where the initial
8	water barriers and the gate-type barriers and bike racks
9	were, as the days continued to tick on. So yes.
10	BY MR. WEAVER:
11	Q. Do you recall the protesters started fortifying
12	the barriers with vehicles that were parked near or in
13	front of the barriers?
14	A. I do agree that that occurred.
15	Q. Okay. And when did you notice that beginning
16	to occur?
17	A. I think that occurred pretty early on.
18	Q. Like in the first few days of the occupation?
19	A. I think so.
20	Q. Do you recall at this meeting on June 13th a
21	discussion of changes to the placement and type of
22	barriers that might be provided to the protesters?
23	A. I missed the first part of what you said. It
24	was something and type of barriers.
25	Q. The placement and type of barriers.

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1	machinery; right?
2	A. Yes.
3	Q. And so the Department of Transportation
4	provided those blocks and brought those blocks into the
5	area; is that correct?
6	A. That is correct.
7	Q. And the barriers that had been drawn with
8	the pursuant to the agreement reached with the
9	protesters, did those barriers did those barriers
10	revised barriers well, let me try again.
11	So you had an agreement to change the footprint
12	with the protesters; right?
13	MR. FARMER: Objection. Misstates prior
14	testimony.
15	A. We worked through changing the landscape with
16	the protesters.
17	BY MR. WEAVER:
18	Q. Okay. And at some point, certain portions of
19	certain roads were opened up one way; is that correct?
20	A. That is correct.
21	Q. Okay. Did those openings hold, or did the
22	protesters move some of the barriers again following the
23	opening up of those areas?
24	A. The landscape that we shifted held for a number
25	of days. I can't tell you how many. Because one of the

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1	things we were trying to accomplish was if we were going
2	to open up these lanes for vehicle traffic, we needed to
3	create, lack of a better term, a barrier between the
4	vehicles and where people were going to be. So that was
5	a part of the mindset, and when we shifted the landscape
6	and how we shifted it.
7	Q. Okay. But at some point after several days
8	that that all changed again because the protesters
9	moved some barriers and blocked things that had
10	previously been open; is that correct?
11	A. That is correct. It was dynamic. I don't know
12	exactly how many days. But I know it was an ongoing
13	work in progress.
14	Q. Okay. I'd like to go back to Exhibit 19. It's
15	the first text in that chain. And it's a text from you
16	that is simply a YouTube link. And I can tell you that
17	there's there's no text before or after it indicating
18	why you were sending this link.
19	This was sent on, it looks like, 2:00 on
20	June 15, 2020. The link goes to and you might be
21	able to hit the hyperlink there and see what I'm talking
22	about. The link goes to footage of what had happened at
23	Car Tender on the night of the 14th.
24	A. Do you want me to hit the link?
25	Q. You can hit the link if you want, just to see

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              I don't know.
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     BY MR. WEAVER:
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         Q. Okay. I'd like to go back to the email which
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    is Exhibit 24, and the middle of this email Mayor Durkan
4
    says, "What happened this morning" -- she says
5
    "this a.m." -- "was foreseeable and avoidable."
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             Do you agree that what had happened that
7
    morning was foreseeable and avoidable?
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                MR. FARMER: Objection. Vaque.
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             I don't know. For a young man to lose his
10
    life, I would never like to think that I saw that
11
    coming. Was this a -- a very different situation? It
12
    was. But I can't say that I saw this young man getting
13
    ready to lose his life. I cannot say that.
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    BY MR. WEAVER:
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         Q. Do you believe it was foreseeable that there
16
     would be increased violence in an area where there was
17
    modified police and fire response for a period of weeks?
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                 MR. FARMER: Objection. Object to the form.
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             You may respond, Chief.
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         A. I think as the days went on, we started to
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    learn more. So we became more informed of the
22
    situations on the ground, and we were better able to
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    understand how this was going to challenge our
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     resources.
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1	BY MR. WEAVER:
2	Q. What do you mean by you started to learn more?
3	A. Well, this was a pretty violent event. The
4	crowds were growing significantly, and we had challenges
5	reaching this patient. We learned a lot in this event,
6	so we learned a great deal. So we modified our plans a
7	bit more, we tried to become better coordinated. But as
8	the crowd size grew, that was a part of the learning.
9	Q. What were you learning from the fact that the
10	<pre>crowds the crowd size was growing?</pre>
11	A. The potential of violence was escalating.
12	Q. I'm getting close, but I need to take a break.
13	Can we go off the record, please?
14	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Going off the record.
15	The time is approximately 4:29 p.m.
16	(Recess from 4:29 p.m. to 4:41 p.m.)
17	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: We are back on the
18	record. The time is approximately 4:41 p.m.
19	E X A M I N A T I O N (Continuing)
20	BY MR. WEAVER:
21	Q. So Chief, are the cabinet meetings with that
22	we've talked about with the mayor's office and the other
23	chiefs of staff, are they ever recorded in any way that
24	you know of?
25	A. I don't think so.

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1	CERTIFICATE
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3	STATE OF WASHINGTON
4	COUNTY OF PIERCE
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6	I, Cindy M. Koch, a Certified Court Reporter in
7	and for the State of Washington, do hereby certify that
8	the foregoing transcript of the deposition of Harold
9	Scoggins, having been duly sworn, on September 14, 2021,
10	is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, skill
11	and ability.
12	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand
13	and seal this 23rd day of September, 2021.
14	NOTCA
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16 17	Cindom Koch
18	CINDY M. KOCH, CCR, RPR, CRR
19	My commission expires:
20	JUNE 9, 2022
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